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NOTES/COMMENTS:

Dear Examiner Alimenti:

Thanks again for the telephone interview last week. We are faxing a courtesy copy of the RCE, Amendment and Interview Summary for Application Serial No. 10/824,802 (originals to follow by mail).

Please call me if you have any questions.

Thanks.
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Application No. 10/824,802
Art Unit 3644
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CENTRAL FAX CENTER Patent Application

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Arthur W. Simpson

Serial No.: 10/824,802

Filed: April 15, 2004

For: RODENT SNAP TRAP DEVICE

Examiner: Alimenti, Susan C

Group Art Unit: 3644

INTERVIEW SUMMARY UNDER 37 CFR §1.133

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Please make the following INTERVIEW SUMMARY of record according to 37
CFR §1.133(b), MPEP §713.04.

PARTICIPANTS:

1. Examiner: Susan C. Alimenti
2. Applicant's counsel: Vic Lin, Reg. No. 43,754

DATE OF INTERVIEW: September 1, 2006

TYPE OF INTERVIEW: Telephonic

EXHIBITS OR DEMONSTRATIONS: none

CLAIMS DISCUSSED: Generally, independent Claims 1, 14, 20 and 23.

PRIOR ART DISCUSSED: McCrimmon (US 2,426,973), Bunker (1,796,503), Davis
(611,749), Hooker (580,694)

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PRINCIPAL PROPOSED AMENDMENTS AND ARGUMENTS DISCUSSED:

Applicant's counsel and the Examiner discussed generally amending the independent claims to include the following:

- the straight horizontal trigger portion extending substantially along the length of the base;
- at least one spring being positioned adjacent to a side of the base so as to leave a central gap;
- the straight horizontal trigger portion extending through the central gap;
- the spring defining a longitudinal axis;
- the straight horizontal trigger portion extending beneath the longitudinal axis of the spring; and
- the catch being disposed adjacent to a second end of the base so as to directly engage the snap bar.

RESULTS:

Though an agreement on the patentability of the claims was not reached, both Examiner Alimenti and Applicant's counsel preliminary indicated that the above proposed claim amendments could overcome the cited references.

Applicant would like to thank Examiner Alimenti for granting the telephone interview. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney if any open issues remain with respect to the telephone interview.

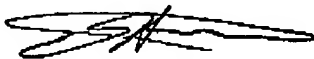
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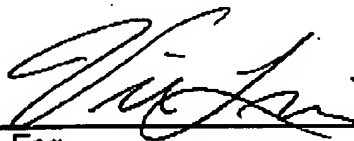
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